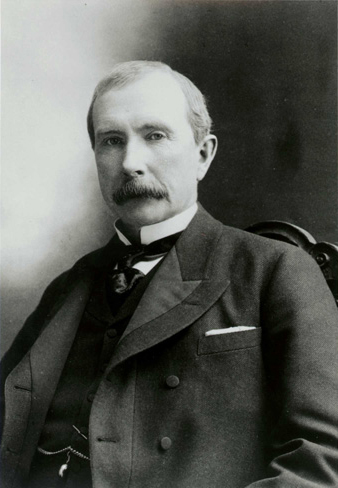
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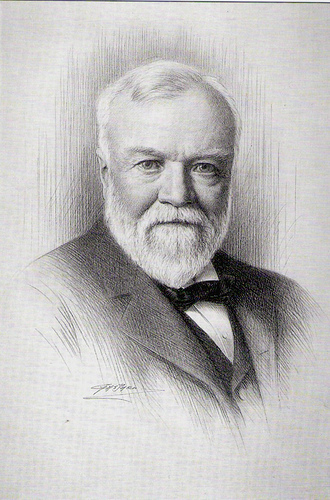
**THE GREAT INDUSTRIALISTS**

This entrepreneur was the founder of the Standard Oil Trust, the company which controlled approximately 90% of the oil industry by the year 1900. His company forced rivals to join their “trust,” - an agreement to end competition and raise prices – which hurt the American consumer!



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This businessman was the founder of a monopolistic company that controlled the iron mines, “Bessemer” furnaces, railroads, and shipping routes for all the steel in America by the early 1890s. His workers were subjected to dangerous conditions, and paid very low wages. In 1892, they went on strike!

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This man gained great power, enormous wealth, and fame by consolidating all of the railroads in New York. Although he had accumulated great wealth in the railroad industry of New York, his most lasting legacy is an outstanding university in Tennessee, named in his honor – because he donated the money to found the school! His nickname, “Commodore” serves as the school’s nickname as well today!



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He founded a luxury railroad car company – building dining cars, first class passenger cars, sleeper cars, and refrigerated boxcars to transport produce or other perishable goods. After the “Panic of 1893,” – an economic recession – he slashed the wages of his employees. Yet, he refused to lower the rents of his workers (he was also their landlord), or the price of the food sold at his company stores. His employees organizing a strike that crippled the US Economy during 1894.



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**INVENTORS, BUSINESSMEN, and LABOR UNION LEADERS**

Write the letter of the person being described in the blank to the left of each description or identification.

**A. Andrew Carnegie B. John D. Rockefeller C. Cornelius Vanderbilt**

**D. Thomas Alva Edison E. Alexander G. Bell F. Henry Ford**

**G. Orville Wright H. Leland Stanford I. Samuel Gompers**

**J. Eugene V. Debs K. Mary Harris Jones L. Terence V. Powderly**

\_\_\_\_\_1. He was the President of the Central Pacific Railroad line, and the man who drove in the final spike when the transcontinental railroad in May of 1869.

\_\_\_\_\_2. He was the founder of the American Federation of Labor, and his goals were higher pay for workers, safer conditions, more leisure time, and the right to collective bargaining.

\_\_\_\_\_3. He was the leader of the American Railroad Workers Union – who supported a strike against the Pullman company in the 1890s and was jailed in the early 1900s for his opposition to WW I.

\_\_\_\_\_4. He was the inventor of the Model-T Ford, and the first auto producer to use the assembly line to make automobiles.

\_\_\_\_\_5. He invented the telephone and founded the American Telephone & Telegraph Co. (AT&T)

\_\_\_\_\_6. He and his brother were the first in flight: Kitty Hawk, NC – December 17, 1903.

\_\_\_\_\_7. He was the man who consolidated the railroads in New York during the 1800s, and he founded a university in Tennessee which still bears his name.

\_\_\_\_\_8. He was the founder of the Standard Oil Trust, a company which ran almost all other oil refineries out of business in the early 1900s – until it was broken up by the Sherman Anti-Trust act and the actions of Theodore Roosevelt.

\_\_\_\_\_9. He was the founder of a steel company which dominated the industry – it was practically a monopoly. His workers received little pay, however, and uprisings at his steel plan ruined his reputation.

\_\_\_\_\_10. He was the leader of America’s first labor union, the Knights of Labor.

\_\_\_\_\_11. She was a female labor union organizer who focused on helping women in the garment workers unions and young children who were forced to work in the textile mills.

\_\_\_\_\_12. He was the inventor of the light bulb, the phonograph, the battery cell, and the motion picture machine, just to name a few. He held thousands of patents, and established hundreds of companies!